

GEN. GREENE DEAD; ONCE POLICE HEAD

Commissioner Under Seth
Low Succumbs to Cancer
at Age of 71.

THREW OUT GRAFTERS

His Shakeup of the Depart-
ment One of the Most Sen-
sational in City's History.

HAD A STORMY CAREER

Once Accused of Fostering
Revolutions in Interests of
Asphalt Concern.

Francis Vinton Greene, formerly a Major General in the United States Army and Police Commissioner for one year during the administration of Mayor Seth Low, died last night at 7:20 o'clock at his home, in 62 East Seventy-seventh street. He had been ill with cancer for the last eight months, and during most of that time had been unable to leave his home. When the end came his wife, his son, Warwick, and one of his daughters, Miss Katherine Greene, were at his bedside.

Gen. Green was widely known by reason of his brilliant military career and his numerous writings on military and historical subjects, but the old members of the New York Police Department remember him best as the man who perhaps caused a greater shakeup in the force than any other Commissioner. He was named head of the department by Mayor Seth Low in 1902, and almost at once he began to fall like apples in a windmill orchard.

The new Commissioner was no respecter of persons. He slashed at all the heads of various bureaus and departments whom he considered incompetent, and the list was large. He is said to have dismissed more high police officials during the first five months of his administration than the department had in the five previous years. Newspaper articles at the time Commissioner Greene was in office credited him with raising the department to a higher state of efficiency than it had enjoyed since any administration since that of Theodore Roosevelt.

Ended Craft of Wardmen.

One of the radical changes that Gen. Greene as Police Commissioner made in the conduct of the department, which will be recalled by all the old police officers, was the abolition of the wardmen, who had become an institution and in cases of draft usually acted as the go between used by the police captain, lieutenant or inspector and the gambler and owner of disorderly resorts. The second day he was in office Commissioner Greene issued an order sending all of the 360 wardmen back to patrol duty, an order that transferred them to precincts as far as possible from the one in which they had been working. At that time he referred to them as collectors of graft for the police captains, and declared that he intended to stop such practices. One of the first things, also, that the new Commissioner said when he went into office was that he intended to stop the practice of captains and lieutenants making scapegoats of roundmen and patrolmen.

Gen. Greene was born in Providence, R. I., on June 27, 1850, and was educated at the United States Military Academy at West Point, graduating first in a class of fifty-eight men in June, 1870. His first service was in the artillery, but two years after his graduation he was transferred to the Engineers. During the four years following this assignment he was employed as assistant astronomer and surveyor with the joint commission for the survey and demarcation of the boundary line between the United States and British possessions from the Lake of the Woods to the Rocky Mountains.

In 1874 he was assigned to special duty in the office of the Secretary of War in Washington, and a year later was sent abroad by the Government to observe and report upon the military operations then being undertaken by the Russians against the Turks, being assigned as Military Attaché to the United States Embassy at St. Petersburg. He accompanied the Russian army in the field, and was present at all the principal battles of the war. He returned to the United States in January, 1879, and was assigned to duty as assistant to the Engineer Commission in Washington. For the next six years he had charge of the engineering work upon the streets, roads and bridges in the District of Columbia.

Mentioned in Revolutions.

Gen. Greene resigned from the army in 1886, and became vice-president and later president of the Barber Asphalt Company. At other times he was also president of the National Asphalt Company and the Asphalt Company of America, and is reported to have made several million dollars out of these interests. Several times he was accused of fostering and promoting revolutions in Venezuela to obtain control of the asphalt lakes of that country and Trinidad, and he was also brought prominently into the limelight during the various investigations of the asphalt trust.

Three years after his resignation from the army Gen. Greene entered the New York National Guard as a Major and engineer of the First Brigade, and in 1892 he was elected Colonel of the Seventy-first Regiment. He commanded that regiment at Camp Clark during the Spanish War, and went with it to Tampa. While there he was appointed as Brigadier General by President McKinley, and later became a Major General. He figured prominently with Gen. Merritt in the operations around Manila, and upon his return wrote a comprehensive report for the War Department.

Gen. Greene resigned from the army in 1898, shortly after the close of the war, and was appointed to an important post in Cuba. He went in for politics somewhat after his retirement from the army, and succeeded Lemuel E. Quigg as president of the Republican County Committee in July, 1900, serving throughout the Presidential campaign. He retired from politics and became interested in the asphalt business. For the last few years he has lived quietly in New York, with few business connections.

In addition to Mrs. Greene, who was Miss Belle Chevalier, and his son and daughter, Gen. Greene leaves three other daughters, Mrs. Charles A. Lindley of New York and Mrs. George Cotter and Mrs. Russell Bryant of Buffalo. During the war his son was a Lieutenant-Colonel of the United States Air Force.

William Hillman Is First in Portchester Road Run

With the aid of a generous handicap, William Hillman, a harrier of the English American A. C., defeated a large field of notable runners in the eighth mile road run of the Cynnet A. C., decided over the roads in Portchester, N. Y., and East Portchester, Conn., yesterday. Given a start of six minutes and thirty seconds over Frank Zuna, the American Olympic champion, Frank Titterton, the new Metropolitan A. U. cross country title holder, and Willie Kyroneen, a star of other days, all of whom started from scratch, he breasted the tape an easy winner, with 200 yards to spare. The summary:

Pos.	Name and Club	Handicap	Actual Time
1	W. Hillman, Fin. Am. A. C.	8:30	47:22 1/2
2	W. Jackson, St. Chris. Club	7:00	48:26
3	A. Poling, Morningdale A. C.	7:00	49:10
4	H. Rosen, Morningdale A. C.	6:30	48:20
5	S. Weiss, Mohawk A. C.	6:30	48:23
6	E. Winkler, K. of St. Anthony	6:30	48:23
7	Others to cover course of G. Del Vecchio, St. Joseph's Catholic Club	6:00	48:30
8	G. Carmody, Mount Vernon K. of C.	6:00	48:30
9	W. J. Dwyer, St. Christopher Club	6:00	48:30
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SUN SPOTS MOVING AWAY FROM EARTH

Sol's Rotation Will Soon End
Interference With Wire Ser-
vice on This Globe.

GROUP 94,000 MILES LONG

Naval Observatory Officials
Say Large Spots at This
Time Are Unusual.

WASHINGTON, May 15.—Interruption of telegraphic communication by electrical influences, if due to the presence of spots on the sun as set forth in the Brahean theory, will pass away within forty-eight hours in the belief of officials at the Naval Observatory here. The present spot or group of spots on the face of the sun, estimated by Naval Observatory officials as 94,000 miles in length and 21,000 wide, was nearest the earth last night and today, through rotation of the sun, was moving away from the solar meridian. Naval Observatory officials said that leaving out of consideration the decreasing effect of the sun's spots on electrical currents on the earth through the usual breaking up of the spots the regular rotation of the sun on its axis would within a few days carry the spots so far from the earth as to make their influence negligible.

The theory that the aurora borealis (northern lights) which sends "earth currents" through telegraphic wires, interrupting communication, results from sun spots was advanced by Dr. John A. Brashear, the late Pittsburgh astronomer. The theory never has been definitely accepted. Naval Observatory officials asserted, but the fact that spots on the sun usually are accompanied by electrical disturbances has resulted in almost general acceptance of the theory.

The spots which now are present on the face of the sun and which were visible to the naked eye today with the use of smoked glass were first photographed at the Naval Observatory last Monday, when the rotation of the sun brought that side of the solar body within view. The spots at that time, according to Dr. G. H. Peters, an official at the observatory, who photographed them, were about one and a half to two days old.

The following day the photographs showed the spots to be much agitated, the gaseous vapors of which they are composed resembling a cyclonic storm on the earth. Dr. Peters said. Yesterday's photograph, taken about noon, showed

Pet Dog Dies at Sea and Is Embalmed

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New York Herald Bureau.
Paris, May 14.
NOT desiring to see her pet dog which died during the voyage on the Aquitania buried at sea, a wealthy American woman whose name is withheld had the ship's doctors embalm the animal while the ship's carpenters made a mahogany casket in which the dog was brought to Paris after passing the French customs inspectors.

The spots to be near the solar meridian. Naval Observatory officials said that presence of such a large group of spots at this time was unusual, inasmuch as the prevalence of the spots move in an eleven year cycle and the apex of prevalence occurred about four years ago.

EDUCATIONAL REQUEST VALID.

Fifteen Young Folk of Oregon
Benefit by Decision.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 15.—A large number of young men and women of Lake county are provided with an education as a result of a court decision which held valid the will of Dr. Bernard Daly, deceased capitalist of Lakeview. An attempt of fourteen relatives to declare the will invalid failed. The will provided a \$700,000 trust fund for the education of Lake county young men and women.

Dr. Daly left a large fortune and a will providing that within five years after his death all his property, with a few exceptions, should be sold and the money converted into an educational fund that would aid no less than fifteen young men and women of his "beloved Lake county" annually to complete the road to knowledge unhampered by financial difficulties.

GIRL'S GET RICH QUICK PLAN.

It Is Based on Capture of 100 Flies
at Waukegan.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., May 15.—If Marian Rostrom, 19, doesn't earn at least a million dollars this summer she is going to be a pretty disappointed little girl.

If she does, the city of Waukegan is going bankrupt. The Waukegan councilmen have announced that each child will receive 10 cents for every hundred flies captured and taken to the official fly counter. "And they told us," Marian explained, "that each fly produces 5 billion other flies each summer. So I am going to capture one hundred flies and put 'em in a cage and see what happens."

SAVE INTELLECTUALS, IS APPEAL OF GORKY

He Says Thousands in Russia
Face Starvation.

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The intellectuals of the world are asked to come to the rescue of their famished colleagues in Russia through an appeal issued here by Maxim Gorky who says that Russia has only sufficient food to keep the population alive a few weeks and that under existing conditions the professors and educated classes will be the first to succumb. "Here in Petrograd the lack of food-stuffs is so absolute," says Gorky, "that within a few weeks the whole population will be famished in the strictest sense of the word. Those who are not prepared to battle against it, such as children and the educated classes, will be the first victims."

He is asking that foodstuffs be shipped to him personally, care Maison des Savants, Petrograd. The writer adds that "four thousand five hundred professors may thus be saved. They do not want to sign this appeal for they would rather die than beg. That is why I have decided to address the educated world."

FRENCH MERCY SHIP AIDS SICK FISHERMEN

Sainte Jeanne d'Arc Now on
Her Annual Mission.

HAVER, May 14.—Somewhere off Nova Scotia and the Banks of Newfoundland the mercy ship Sainte Jeanne d'Arc is engaged on her annual mission of picking up the ill and sick among the fishermen who "go down to the sea in ships." She can care for the sick fishermen until they can be landed at the fishermen's homes at Saint Pierre de Miquelon or at Paskinoff, Iceland. She is a neat little craft of 300 tons and carries a crew of thirty-one Breton sailors. The French navy puts a doctor on board and the captain and the chaplain are both war heroes who have won the Legion of Honor and the Croix de Guerre. The expenses are met by voluntary subscriptions among the fisher folk in Brittany and Normandy.

"ADAMLESS EDEN" IN LONDON.

To Be Small Park Where Working
Girls May Rest.

LONDON, May 14.—What is described as an "Adamless Eden" is about to be opened here in the form of a small park where London working girls may rest and meditate undisturbed by young men.

The plan originated with the Metropolitan Public Gardens Association, which is seeking to obtain for the purpose four acres of waste land near Hyde Park.

GIRL FLIER LOOPS LOOP 119 TIMES

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roared suddenly and the plane jumped forward. There were shouts of horror from the crowd and Dupex and "Casey" Jones, another Curtiss flier and a score of others dashed after the speeding plane. They could not reach it. The plane, bounding and curving about the field, gained flying speed and leaped upward into the air. It skidded dangerously to one side and for a minute a sideslip to earth seemed certain. Then it reeled to the other side, flying higher all the time. In a crazy, erratic circle it roared around the field and finally darted downward. As it was about to crash nose on into the ground it suddenly leveled off and made a bumpy landing. While the crowd cheered the plane lurched back to its starting place. The final blast of its propeller blew Mrs. Quicelli's hat and hair of her head, revealing the smiling features of Bill Purcell, acrobatic pilot.

Some Hair Raising Flying.

Bert Acosta, who handles a plane as if he had a low opinion of his own value to the world, thrilled the crowds again and again by his daring stunts in an Orcoo scout loaned for the occasion by the army air service. There was nothing in the line of Immelman turns, barrel rolls, falling leaf, tail spins and vertical banks that he did not try out at low altitudes. Anasid pilots also did stunts.

Sergeant William H. Spore of Mitchell Field made a 3,000 foot drop from an army De Havilland and landed safely in his own field. W. B. Gilmore and Pilot Dupex and Jones did some formation flying in three Orcoo Curtiss Orcoos. During the afternoon many spectators took flights in commercial machines. After all the flying was over, some time around 7 o'clock, it suddenly occurred to a few members of the Aero Club to take a look at their field club. Until then all eyes and thoughts had been turned upward. After a long search it was found in the building that formerly housed the officers club of Hazehurst Field.

TO SEE BAZZ; FINDS IT DEAD.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 15.—John Vollrath, 21 years old, was arrested on a charge of wife abandonment. When told that a baby had been born since he left home, five months ago, he asked to see his family before being placed in jail.

Detectives took him to his wife, and after a hasty reconciliation he asked to see the baby. The wife conducted him to the parlor and left him staring at a tiny white coffin.

The baby had died two hours before the father was arrested.

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